

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0001] as follows:

[0001] This application is continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/489,760, which is hereby incorporated herein in its entirety by this reference, filed January 21, 2000, ~~pending now~~ U.S. Patent 6,878,375 (April 12, 2005), which itself claims priority as a continuation of International Application No. PCT/NL98/00424, filed on July 23, 1998, designating the United States of America, which itself claims priority from EP 97202303.0, filed on July 23, 1997.